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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

RICHARD MERINO, DANY CUX BATEN, ELIAS ANTONIO HERNANDEZ, and JORGE OREA PAEZ, individually and on behalf of all others similarly situated

Plaintiffs,

-against -

BEVERAGE PLUS AMERICA CORP., SMC USA CORP., YUN S. CHO, GRAND BEVERAGE CORP. and YUN C. CHO,

Defendants.

ECF CASE

10 Civ. 0706 (JSR)

DEFENDANTS'

RESPONSE TO

Plaintiffs' Motion for damages and class notice

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Defendants, YUN S. CHO, by PRO SE, makes the following response to Plaintiffs' Motion for damages and class notice required by the Federal Court's Order of September 9, 2011 (Doc. #88) as upon information and belief:

I. Defendant's Response to Plaintiffs' Motion for damages and class notice

- 1. I do not have anyone who has complaint concerning wages until this action occur.
- 2. I paid to Plaintiffs' a minimum wage, overtime and spread of hours pay as Plaintiffs Exhibit 12 of Plaintiffs' Memorandum of law in support of Plaintiff' motion for damages and class notice.
- 3. A Temporary Restraining Order for Richard Merino as Plaintiffs' Exhibit 1, 2 and 3 of Plaintiffs' Memorandum of law in support of Plaintiff' motion for damages and class notice was denied by Federal Judge, Jed S. Rakoff on April 26, 2010
- 4. The affirmation of Jorge Orea Paez as Plaintiffs Exhibit 4 of Plaintiffs' Memorandum of law in support of Plaintiff' motion for damages and class notice is not correct.

Jorge Orea Paez worked between Jan. 2, 2007 and Feb. 20, 2009 as DEF. 00006 of Exhibit 12 of Plaintiffs' Memorandum of law in support of Plaintiff' motion for damages and class notice

(Attached Exhibit "A")

5. The affirmation of Elias Antonio Hernandez as Plaintiffs' Exhibit 6 of Plaintiffs' Memorandum of law in support of Plaintiff' motion for damages and class notice is not correct.

Elias Antonio Hernandez worked between Jul. 15, 2008 and Jan. 15, 2009 as DEF. 00004 of

Exhibit 12 of Plaintiffs' Memorandum of law in support of Plaintiff' motion for damages and class notice

(Attached Exhibit "B")

- 6. The affirmation of Paulo Morales as Plaintiffs' Exhibit 9 of Plaintiffs' Memorandum of law in support of Plaintiff' motion for damages and class notice is not correct.
- Paulo Morales worked between Sep. 20, 2006 and Oct. 31, 2009 as DEF. 00211 of Exhibit 12 of Plaintiffs' Memorandum of law in support of Plaintiff' motion for damages and class notice (Attached Exhibit "C")
- 7. The affirmation of Primitivo Aguilar as Plaintiffs' Exhibit 10 of Plaintiffs' Memorandum of law in support of Plaintiff' motion for damages and class notice is not correct.

Primitivo Aguilar worked as a helper about 2 months, May and June in 2007.

And he was arrested for an assault charges in the bar and he was fired next week because he did not show up for work again after he got drunk.

(Attached Exhibit "D")

8. The Ticket Details and Violation Copy of Plaintiffs' Exhibit 11 of Plaintiffs' Memorandum of law in support of Plaintiff' motion for damages and class notice was produced by me and was paid by me not by the driver.

(Attached Exhibit "E")

9. According to Plaintiffs' Exhibit 13 through 23 of Plaintiffs' Memorandum of law in support of Plaintiff' motion for damages and class notice, Plaintiffs calculated by their emotional value for the wages even though Plaintiffs taken into evidence of Plaintiffs' Exhibit 12 of Plaintiffs' Memorandum of law in support of Plaintiff' motion for damages and class notice as explained in personnel record, weekly pay was calculated by an hour including spread hours and hourly rate is over the minimum wage as agreed upon hiring each worker and yet plaintiffs' lawyer sets hourly rate as their convenience.

Moreover, Plaintiffs only presented with Yun S. Cho's personnel records that can not prove the defendant have any minimum wage violations, unlawful deductions, overtime and spread of hours violations for money damages and plaintiffs has failed to provide genuineness of documents which shows plaintiffs did not received minimum wage and overtime payment. (Attached Exhibit "F")

10. According to Plaintiffs' Exhibit 24 of Plaintiffs' Memorandum of law in support of Plaintiff' motion for damages and class notice, it is irrelevant to support plaintiffs' motion for damages and class notice because these partial EBT has limited to only certain circumstance and criteria.

(Attached Exhibit "G")

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Therefore, I, individual defendant, should not be held liable against the Plaintiffs.

Defendants reserve the right to have supplement these responses upon receipt of additional and/or continuing information.

WHEREFORE, I respectfully request an order granting to dismiss the plaintiffs' motion.

Dated: Maspeth, New York

Oct. 26, 2010

Signature of Yun S. Cho

5887 55th Street

Maspeth, NY 11378

Tel: (718) 552-9055

Fax: (718) 552-9056

TO: Maia Goodell

Scott Michels

Vladeck, Waldman, Elias & Engelhard, P.C.

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New York, NY 10036

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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT

SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

RICHARD MERINO, DANY CUX BATEN, ELIAS ANTONIO HERNANDEZ, and JORGE OREA PAEZ, individually and on behalf of all others similarly situated,

Plaintiffs.

ECF CASE 10 Civ. 0706 (JSR) AFFIRMATION OF SERVICE

- against -

BEVERAGE PLUS AMERICA CORP., SMC USA CORP., YUN S. CHO, GRAND BEVERAGE CORP. and YUN C. CHO.

Defendants.

I, Yun S. Cho and Yun C. Cho, declare under penalty of perjury that I have served a copy of the attached Response to Plaintiffs' Motion for damages and class notice upon Maia Goodell; Vladeck, waldman, Elias & Engelhard, P.C. whose address is 1501 Broadway, Suite 800, New York, NY 10036

By Certified Mail in a sealed envelope, with postage prepaid thereon, in an official depository of the United States Postal Service within the State of New York, addressed to the last known addressee.

Dated: Maspeth, New York Oct. 27, 2011

Signature of Yun S. Cho & Yun C. Cho

5887 55th Street

Maspeth, NY 11378

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PERSONEL RECORD

Name: Mr/Ms. Jorge Oven Pares Tel: () Cell: (2017) 2017-2009
Address: 97-41 7132 2FL
02012 PANC, NY 11016
D. O. B.: Yr S. S. N.: Y
Driver License Number:
No. Of Dependents: 3
Date Started/Terminated: 1/2/67 - 2/30/29
Position: Driver
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EXHIBIT 4

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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK
RICHARD MERINO, DANY CUX BATEN, ELIAS
ANTONIO HERNANDEZ, and JORGE OREA PAEZ,
individualmente y a favor de otros situados similarmente,

10 Civ 0706 (JSR)

Quejantes,

ECF CASE

- against -

AFIRMACION DE JORGE OREA PAEZ

BEVERAGE PLUS AMERICA CORP., SMC USA CORP., YUN S. CHO, and GRAND BEVERAGE CORP.

	Defendientes.																												
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Jorge Orea Paez, bajo pena de perjurio, afirma y declara lo siguiente:

- 1. Soy un quejante en este caso y doy esta afirmacion en apoyo a la mocion de la clase de quejantes para la certificacion preliminaria bajo la ley de estandares laborales justos, para el aviso por parte de la Corte a las personas en situacion similar, y para la descubierta rapida.
- Trabaje para los defendientes desde enero 2006 hasta febrero 2009.
 Trabaje para los defendientes como chofer.
- 3. Como los choferes y ayudantes todos trabajaban en el mismo almacen y tenian un horario similar, los veia llegar al trabajo y salir del trabajo, les vi cumpliendo sus tareas, y vi como fueron pagados. Yun S. Cho y los gerentes de los defendientes tenian en occasion reuniones del grupo con todos los choferes y ayudantes para darnos instrucciones sobre nuestras responsabilidades de trabajo y/o nuestras horas y pago. Ademas nosotros los choferes y ayudantes habitualmente nos hablabamos entre nosotros acerca de nuestras responsabilidades de trabajo, nuestros pagos y las horas que trabajabamos.

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- 4. Los choferes al igual que los ayudantes eramos responsables para entregar cajas de bebidas a los clientes de los defendientes desde el almacen de los defendientes en Queens. En cualquier momento los defendientes empleaban aproximamente cuatro choferes, al igual que cuatro o cinco ayudantes para trabajar con los choferes.
- 5. Mis responsabilidades como chofer fueron organizar los ordenes, cargar los caminiones con cajas de bebidas, transporter los productos, y descargarlos a las tiendas de los defendientes. Como chofer era responsible de manejar el camion hasta las tiendas de los clientes; los ayudantes me ayudaban a cargar el camion y me acompanaban a las tiendas de los clientes para ayudar en hacer las entregas.
- 6. Las responsabilidades de los otros choferes y ayudantes fueron esencialmente lo mismo que las mias.
- 7. Segun mi observacion muchos choferes y ayudantes trabajaron para los defendientes por solo un corto tiempo. En el tiempo en lo cual trabajaba para los defendientes, habian por lo menos 30 otras personas quienes trabajaron como choferes, y por lo menos 30 otras personas quienes trabajaron como ayudantes.
- 8. Yo hice entregas a las tiendas de los clientes en Manhattan, Brooklyn y Oueens. Nunca hice entregas a tiendas fuera del Estado de New York.
- 9. Cuando empeze a trabajar para los defendientes, trabajaba desde las 7:00 am hasta aproximamente las 5:00 pm. Desde el 2008, usualmente trabajaba hasta aproximamente las 6:00 pm. Trabajaba cinco dias a la semana y trabajaba mas de cuarenta horas cada semana. Nunca fue pagado las horas extras.
- 10. Cuando empeze a trabajar para los defendientes en enero del 2006, ganaba \$430 por semana. Despues de cinco meses mi pago aumento a \$450. Aproximamente seis

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meses mas tarde mi pago aumento a \$480 por semana, y aproximamente seis meses despues de eso my pago aumento a \$510. LLegando al 2008, recibia \$530 por semana, lo que yo ganaba hasta que me despidieron.

11. Me pagaban una vez por semana. Al fin de la semana, Yun S. Cho o uno de los gerentes de los defendientes me daba mi pago semanal en efectivo. Los otros choferes y ayudantes tambien fueron pagados al fin de cada semana en efectivo.

12. Segun mi observacion los otros choferes y ayudantes trabajaban un horario similar al mio. He hablado con otros choferes y ayudantes sobre los pagos de ellos; cada uno me dijo que nunca recibieron pago para las horas extra.

13. Mi gerente fue Yun S. Cho. Es el que me contrato y me despidio.

Tambien tenia otro gerente llamado Rafael.

14. En el momento en que fui despedido, los defendientes tenian cuatro camiones para hacer entregas.

Declaro bajo pena de perjurio que todo lo antecedente es la verdad y corecto.

Ejecutado el 5/2/10 en NEW YORK.

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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

RICHARD MERINO, DANY CUX BATEN, ELIAS ANTONIO HERNANDEZ, and JORGE OREA PAEZ, and, individually and on behalf of all others similarly

situated.

10 Civ 0706 (JSR)

ECF CASE

Plaintiffs,

- against -

AFFIRMATION OF JORGE OREA PAZ

BEVERAGE PLUS AMERICA CORP., SMC USA CORP., YUN S. CHO, and GRAND BEVERAGE CORP.

Defendants.																														
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Jorge Orea Paez, under penalty of perjury, affirms and states as follows:

- I am a plaintiff in the above-captioned case and I submit this affirmation
 in support of Class Plaintiffs' Motion for Preliminary Certification Pursuant to the Fair Labor
 Standards Act, for Court-Facilitated Notice to Similarly Situated Persons, and for Expedited
 Discovery.
- 2. I worked for defendants from January 2006 until February 2009. I worked for defendants as a driver.
- 3. Because the drivers and helpers all worked in the same warehouse facility and had similar hours, I saw them arrive and leave work, saw them performing their duties, and saw how they were paid. Yun S. Cho and defendants' managers occasionally had group meetings with all of the drivers and helpers to give us instructions about our job duties and/or hours and pay. In addition, we drivers and helpers regularly spoke to each other about our job duties, pay and the hours we worked.

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- 4. Both drivers and helpers were responsible for delivering boxes of beverage products to defendants' customers from defendants' warehouse facility in Queens. At any given time, defendants employed approximately four drivers, as well as four or five helpers to work with the drivers.
- 5. My duties as a driver were to organize orders, load delivery trucks with boxes of beverage products, transport the products, and unload them at the customers' stores. As a driver, I was responsible for driving the delivery truck to the customers' stores; the helpers would help load the truck and accompany me to the customers' stores to assist in making the deliveries.
- 6. The duties of other drivers and helpers were substantially the same as mine.
- 7. In my observation, many drivers and helpers worked for defendants for only a short time. During the time I worked for defendants, there were at least 30 other people who had worked as drivers, and at least 30 other people who had worked as helpers.
- 8. I made deliveries to customers' stores in Manhattan, Brooklyn and Oueens. I never made deliveries to stores outside of the State of New York.
- 9. When I started working for defendants, I worked from 7:00 am to approximately 5:00 pm. Since 2008, I usually worked until approximately 6:00 pm. I worked five days a week and worked more than forty hours each week. I was never paid overtime.
- 10. When I started working for defendants in January 2006, I earned \$430 per week. After five months my weekly pay increased to \$450. Approximately six months later my

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pay increased to \$480 per week, and approximately six months after that my pay increased to \$510. By 2008, I was receiving \$530 per week, which is what I earned until I was fired.

- 11. I was paid once a week. At the end of the week, Yun S. Cho or one of defendants' managers would give me my weekly pay in cash. Other drivers and helpers were also paid at the end of each week in cash.
- 12. In my observation, the other drivers and helpers worked similar hours to me. I have spoken to other drivers and helpers about their pay; each of them told me that they had never been paid overtime.
- 13. My manager was Yun S. Cho. He is the one who hired me and fired me. I also had another manager named Rafael.
 - 14. At the time I was fired, defendants had four delivery trucks.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed on May 2, 2010 in New York.

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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
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Quejantes,

ECF CASE

- against -

AFIRMACION DE ELIAS ANTONIO HERNANDEZ

BEVERAGE PLUS AMERICA CORP., SMC USA CORP., YUN S. CHO, and GRAND BEVERAGE CORP.

Defendientes.

Elias Antonio Hernandez, bajo pena de perjurio, afirma y declara lo siguiente:

- 1. Soy un quejante en este caso y doy esta afirmacion en apoyo a la mocion de la clase de quejantes para la certificacion preliminaria bajo la ley de estandares laborales justos, para el aviso por parte de la Corte a las personas en situacion similar, y para la descubierta rapida.
- 2. Trabaje para los defendientes aproximamente desde el 15 abril 2008 hasta el 15 enero 2009. Trabaje para los defendientes como chofer. Quando fue despedido el gerente me dijo que no me necesitaba; no me dio otra razon.
- 3. Como los choferes y ayudantes todos trabajaban en el mismo almacen y tenian un horario similar, los veia llegar al trabjo y salir del trabajo, les vi cumpliendo sus trabajos, y vi como fueron pagados. Yun S. Cho y los gerentes de los defendientes a ciertas ocasiones tenian reuniones de grupo con todos los choferes y ayudantes para darnos instrucciones sobres nuestras responsabilidades de trabajo y/o nuestras horas y pago. Ademas

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nosotros los choferes y ayudantes hablabamos uno con el otro a cada rato de nuestras responsabilidades de trabajo, del pago y de las horas que trabajabamos.

- 4. Ambos los choferes y los ayudantes fuimos responsables para entregar cajas de bebidas a los clientes de los defendientes, desde el almacen de los defendientes en Queens. En cualquier momento, los defendientes empleaban aproximamente cuatro choferes, al igual que cuatro o cinco ayudantes para trabajar con los choferes.
- 5. Mis responsabilidades como chofer fueron : organizar los ordenes, cargar los camiones con cajas de bebidas, transporter los productos, y descargarlos a las tiendas de los clientes. Como chofer, fue responsable para manejar el camion hasta las tiendas de los clientes; los ayudantes ayudaban a cargar el camion y me acompanaban a las tiendas de los clientes para ayudar en hacer las entregas.
- 6. Las responsabilidades de los otros choferes y ayudantes fueron basicamente las mismas que las mias.
- 7. Segun mi observacion muchos choferes y ayudantes trabajaron para los defendientes por solo un rato breve.
- 8. Hacia entregas a las tiendas de los clientes en Manhattan, Brooklyn y Queens. Nunca hice entregas fuera del Estado de New York.
- 9. Empezaba el trabajo a las 7:00 am y trabajaba hasta las 5:00 pm o mas tarde. En el verano yo trabajaba normalmente hasta las 6:00 o 7:00 pm, y a veces hast a las 8:00 pm. Si no habia bastante trabajo yo salia alrededor de las 5:00 pm, pero eso no ocurria mas de una vez a la semana.
- 10. Yo trabajaba mas de cuarenta horas cada semana, pero nunca fue pagado las horas extras.

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11. Yo ganaba \$480 la semana, menos cualquier "tickets" de estacionamiento que habia recibido. Usualmente ganaba \$385 la semana despues de la deduccion por los "tickets" por los defendientes. Recibia alrededor de un "ticket" por semana. No podia hacer entregas en el Midtown Manhattan sin recibir "tickets" de estacionamiento.

- 12. Me pagaban una vez por semana. Al fin de la semana Yun S. Cho o uno de los gerentes de los defendientes me daba mi pago semanal en efectivo. Los otros choferes y ayudantes tambien fueron pagados al fin de cada semana en efectivo.
- 13. Segun mi observacion los otros choferes y ayudantes trabajaron horas similares al las mias. Otros trabajadores me han dicho que no recibian el pago de las horas extras.
- 14. Mi gerente fue Yun S. Cho. Es el quien me despidio. Tambien tenia otro gerente llamado Rafael.

Declaro bajo pena de perjurio que todo lo antecedente es la verdad y corecto.

Ejecutado el 4-30-2010 en NY .

Elias Antonio Hernandez

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UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT	
FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW	YORK

RICHARD MERINO, DANY CUX BATEN, ELIAS ANTONIO HERNANDEZ, and JORGE OREA PAEZ, and, individually and on behalf of all others similarly situated.

10 Civ 0706 (JSR)

ECF CASE

Plaintiffs,

- against -

AFFIRMATION OF ELIAS ANTONIO HERNANDEZ

BEVERAGE PLUS AMERICA CORP., SMC USA CORP., YUN S. CHO, and GRAND BEVERAGE CORP.

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Elias Antonio Hernandez, under penalty of perjury, affirms and states as follows:

- 1. I am a plaintiff in the above-captioned case and I submit this affirmation in support of Class Plaintiffs' Motion for Preliminary Certification Pursuant to the Fair Labor Standards Act, for Court-Facilitated Notice to Similarly Situated Persons, and for Expedited Discovery.
- 2. I worked for defendants approximately from April 15, 2008 until January 15, 2009. I worked for defendants as a driver. When I was fired, the manager told me that I was no longer needed; I was not given any other reason.
- 3. Because the drivers and helpers all worked in the same warehouse facility and had similar hours, I saw them arrive and leave work, saw them performing their duties, and saw how they were paid. Yun S. Cho and defendants' managers occasionally had group meetings with all of the drivers and helpers to give us instructions about our job duties and/or

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hours and pay. In addition, we drivers and helpers regularly spoke to each other about our job duties, pay and the hours we worked.

- 4. Both drivers and helpers were responsible for delivering boxes of beverage products to defendants' customers from defendants' warehouse facility in Queens. At any given time, defendants employed approximately four drivers, as well as four or five helpers to work with the drivers.
- 5. My duties as a driver were to organize orders, load delivery trucks with boxes of beverage products, transport the products, and unload them at the customers' stores. As a driver, I was responsible for driving the delivery truck to the customers' stores; the helpers would help load the truck and accompany me to the customers' stores to assist in making the deliveries.
- 6. The duties of other drivers and helpers were substantially the same as mine.
- 7. In my observation, many drivers and helpers worked for defendants for only a short time.
- 8. I made deliveries to customers' stores in Manhattan, Brooklyn and Queens. I never made deliveries to stores outside of the State of New York.
- 9. I started work at 7:00 am and worked until 5:00 pm or later. In the summer, I usually worked until 6:00 or 7:00 pm, and sometimes until 8:00 pm. If business was not too busy, I left around 5:00 pm, but that did not happen more than once a week.
 - 10. I worked more than forty hours every week, but was never paid overtime.
- 11. I earned \$480 per week, minus any parking tickets I received. I usually made \$385 per week after defendants' deductions for parking tickets. I received about one

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parking ticket per week. I could not make deliveries in midtown Manhattan without receiving parking tickets.

- 12. I was paid once a week. At the end of the week, Yun S. Cho or one of defendants' managers would give me my weekly pay in cash. Other drivers and helpers were also paid at the end of each week in cash.
- 13. In my observation, the other drivers and helpers worked similar hours to me. Other workers have told me that they did not receive overtime.
- 14. My manager was Yun S. Cho. He is the one who fired me. I also had another manager named Rafael.

I declare under penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct. Executed on April 30, 2010 in New York.

PERSONEL RECORD

Name: Mr./Ms. Paulo G. Marales Tel: (718) 760 -2190 Cell: (307) 753-2783
Address: Ab->> Doncan Av
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D. O. B.: / / S. S. N.:
Driver License Number: 630 47>440
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EXHIBIT 9

UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT
FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK

RICHARD MERINO, DANY CUX BATEN, ELIAS ANTONIO HERNANDEZ, and JORGE OREA PAEZ, and, individually and on behalf of all others similarly situated.

10 Civ 0706 (JSR)

Plaintiffs,

ECF CASE

- against -

AFFIRMATION OF PAULO MORALES

BEVERAGE PLUS AMERICA CORP., SMC USA CORP., YUN S. CHO, and GRAND BEVERAGE CORP.

Defendants.																												
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Paulo Morales, under penalty of perjury, affirms and states as follows:

- 1. I am an opt-in plaintiff in the above-captioned case and I submit this affirmation in support of Class Plaintiffs' Motion for Damages.
- I worked for defendants from approximately March 2006 to August 2006.
 I worked for defendants as a driver.
- 3. Because the drivers and helpers all worked in the same warehouse facility and had similar hours, I saw them arrive and leave work, saw them performing their duties, and saw how they were paid. Yun S. Cho and defendants' managers occasionally had group meetings with all of the drivers and helpers to give us instructions about our job duties and/or hours and pay. In addition, we drivers and helpers regularly spoke to each other about our job duties, pay and the hours we worked.
- 4. Both drivers and helpers were responsible for delivering boxes of beverage products to defendants' customers from defendants' warehouse facility in Queens. At any given time, defendants employed approximately four drivers, as well as four or five helpers to work with the drivers.

- 5. When I was hired, I was told I would be paid a weekly salary. I never discussed overtime payments with defendants, nor was I told how many hours per week I would be working. Defendants told me to arrive at work at 7 a.m. I and the other workers were then required to stay at work until defendants told us we were free to go for the day.
 - 6. I was never paid overtime.
 - 7. My salary was \$440 per week during my whole time at the company.
- 8. I was paid once a week. At the end of the week, Yun S. Cho or one of defendants' managers would give me my weekly pay in cash. Other drivers and helpers were also paid at the end of each week in cash.
- 9. In my observation, the other drivers and helpers worked similar hours to me.
- 10. I have spoken to other drivers and helpers about their pay and learned that other drivers were paid a similar amount to what I was paid. Each of them told me that they had never been paid overtime.

	I declare unde	r penalty of perjury that the	foregoing is true and correct.	Executed
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CORTE DE DISTRITO DE LOS ESTADOS UNIDOS PARA EL DISTRITO SUR DE NUEVA YORK

RICHARD MERINO, DANY CUX BATEN, ELÍAS ANTONIO HERNÁNDEZ y JORGE OREA PÁEZ, y, de forma individual y en representación de otros situados de manera similar.

10 Civ 0706 (JSR)

ECF CASE

Demandantes,

- contra -

AFIRMACIÓN DE PAULO MORALES

BEVERAGE PLUS AMERICA CORP., SMC USA CORP., YUN S. CHO y GRAND BEVERAGE CORP.

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Paulo Morales, bajo pena por perjurio, afirma y declara lo siguiente:

- 1. Soy un demandante por opción en el caso antes rotulado y presento esta afirmación en respaldo de la Moción por Dafios y Perjuicios de los Demandantes Colectivos.
- Trabajé para los demandados aproximadamente hasta Marzo 2006 desde 2. Agosto 2006. Trabajé para los demandados como chofer.
- 3. Debido a que los choferes y ayudantes todos trabajaban en el mismo depósito y tenían horarios similares, los vi cuando llegaban y se iban del trabajo, los vi desempeñarse en sus tareas y vi cómo se les pagaba. Yun S. Cho y los gerentes de los demandados en ocasiones tenían reuniones grupales con todos los choferes y los ayudantes para damos instrucciones acerca de nuestras responsabilidades laborales y/o de los horarios y salarios. Además, los choferes y ayudantes regularmente hablábamos entre nosotros acerca de nuestras responsabilidades laborales, salarios y horarios de trabajo.
- Tanto los choferes como los ayudantes éramos responsables de entregar 4. cajas de productos de bebidas a los clientes de los demandados desde el depósito de los

demandados en Queens. En un momento dado, los demandados emplearon aproximadamente a cuatro choferes, así como también a cuatro o cinco ayudantes para que trabajaran con los

5. Cuando me contrataron, se me indicó que me pagarían un salario semanal. Nunca discutí los pagos de horas extra con los demandados, ni se me indicó cuántas horas por semana trabajaría. Los demandados me dijeron que debía llegar al trabajo a las 7 a.m. Los otros trabajadores y yo debíamos permanecer en el trabajo hasta que los demandados nos decían que podíamos irnos por ese día.

- 6. Nunca me pagaron horas extras.
- 7. Mi salario fue \$440 semanales durante todo mi tiempo en la compania.
- 8. Me pagaban una vez a la semana. Al final de la semana, Yun S. Cho o uno de los gerentes de los demandados me daba mi pago semanal en efectivo. Otros choferes y ayudantes también recibían su pago al final de cada semana en efectivo.
- 9. Según lo que observé, los otros choferes y ayudantes trabajaban horarios similares a los míos.
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Declaro bajo pena por perjurio que lo dicho anteriormente es verdadero y

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EXHIBIT 10

FOR THE SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK
RICHARD MERINO, DANY CUX BATEN, ELIAS
ANTONIO HERNANDEZ, and JORGE OREA PAEZ, and, individually and on behalf of all others similarly

situated.

10 Civ 0706 (JSR)

ECF CASE

Plaintiffs,

- against -

AFFIRMATION OF PRIMITIVO AGUILAR

BEVERAGE PLUS AMERICA CORP., SMC USA CORP., YUN S. CHO, and GRAND BEVERAGE CORP.

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Primitivo Aguilar, under penalty of perjury, affirms and states as follows:

- 1. I am an opt-in plaintiff in the above-captioned case and I submit this affirmation in support of Class Plaintiffs' Motion for Damages.
- I worked for defendants for approximately six months in 2005 or 2006. I
 worked for defendants as a helper.
- 3. Because the drivers and helpers all worked in the same warehouse facility and had similar hours, I saw them arrive and leave work, saw them performing their duties, and saw how they were paid. Yun S. Cho and defendants' managers occasionally had group meetings with all of the drivers and helpers to give us instructions about our job duties and/or hours and pay. In addition, we drivers and helpers regularly spoke to each other about our job duties, pay and the hours we worked.
- 4. Both drivers and helpers were responsible for delivering boxes of beverage products to defendants' customers from defendants' warehouse facility in Queens. At

any given time, defendants employed approximately four drivers, as well as four or five helpers to work with the drivers.

- 5. When I was hired, I was told I would be paid a weekly salary. I never discussed overtime payments with defendants, nor was I told how many hours per week I would be working. Defendants told me to arrive at work at 7 a.m. I and the other workers were then required to stay at work until defendants told us we were free to go for the day.
 - 6. I was never paid overtime.
 - 7. I earned \$380 per week during my time at the company.
- 8. I was paid once a week. At the end of the week, Yun S. Cho or one of defendants' managers would give me my weekly pay in cash. Other drivers and helpers were also paid at the end of each week in cash.
- 9. In my observation, the other drivers and helpers worked similar hours to me.
- 10. I have spoken to other drivers and helpers about their pay and learned that other drivers were paid a similar amount to what I was paid. Each of them told me that they had never been paid overtime.

	I declare und	er penalty of perjury that the foregoing is true and correct.	Executed
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CORTE DE DISTRITO DE LOS ESTADOS UNIDOS PARA EL DISTRITO SUR DE NUEVA YORK

RICHARD MERINO, DANY CUX BATEN, ELÍAS ANTONIO HERNÁNDEZ y JORGE OREA PÁEZ, y, de forma individual y en representación de otros situados de manera similar.

10 Civ 0706 (JSR)

ECF CASE

Demandantes.

- contra -

AFIRMACIÓN DE PRIMITIVO AGUILAR

BEVERAGE PLUS AMERICA CORP., SMC USA CORP., YUN S. CHO y GRAND BEVERAGE CORP.

Demandado	

Primitivo Aguilar, bajo pena por perjurio, afirma y declara lo siguiente:

- Soy un demandante por opción en el caso antes rotulado y presento esta afirmación en respaldo de la Moción por Daños y Perjuicios de los Demandantes Colectivos.
- Trabajé para los demandados aproximadamente seis meses en 2005 o
 Trabajé para los demandados como ayudante.
- 3. Debido a que los choferes y ayudantes todos trabajaban en el mismo depósito y tenían horarios similares, los vi cuando llegaban y se iban del trabajo, los vi desempeñarse en sus tareas y vi cómo se les pagaba. Yun S. Cho y los gerentes de los demandados en ocasiones tenían reuniones grupales con todos los choferes y los ayudantes para darnos instrucciones acerca de nuestras responsabilidades laborales y/o de los horarios y salarios. Además, los choferes y ayudantes regularmente hablábamos entre nosotros acerca de nuestras responsabilidades laborales, salarios y horarios de trabajo.
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Declaro bajo pena por perjurio que lo dicho anteriormente es verdadero y correcto.

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In Violation of Sect. 4-08 (Subsect Below) of NYC Traffic Rules Bike Lane (e)(9)

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Page 1 1 2 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK 3 ECF CASE 10 Civ. 0706 (JSR) 4 RICHARD MERINO, DANY CUX BATEN, ELIAS ANTONIO HERNANDEZ, and JORGE OREA PAEZ, 5 individually and on behalf of all others similarly situated,, 6 7 Plaintiffs, 8 -against-9 BEVERAGE PLUS AMERICA CORP., SMC USA CORP., YUN S. CHO, GRAND BEVERAGE CORP. 10 and YUN C. CHO,, 11 12 Defendants. 13 14 500 Pearl Street New York, New York 15 June 28, 2010 16 11:24 a.m. 17 18 DEPOSITION of YUN S. CHO, a Defendant in the above-entitled action, held at the above time and 19 place, taken before Kim Auslander, Registered 20 Professional Reporter and Notary Public of the 21 State of New York, pursuant to the Federal Rules 22 of Civil Procedure. 23 24 25

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Looking again at Plaintiff's Exhibit 7, just for the record, that document is Bates stamped in the bottom right-hand corner, it says Defendant's 1.

These are documents that were provided to plaintiffs by defendants, and we created a version of these documents just with a stamp in the bottom corner for ease of use. This is Defendant's 1.

- A. Okay.
- Q. Looking at this document, whose handwriting is on this document?
 - A. This is my handwriting.
- Q. Just generally, this document is for Mr. Richard Merino?
 - A. Yes.
- Q. Generally speaking, not just looking at Richard, but for all employees in relation to when they were hired, when was this document created?
- A. It varies. After I hired them, some people I just made this personnel record very next day or some are made about a week later.

Page 57 1 Y. S. CHO 2 0. Why are some made the next day 3 and some are made a week later? 4 Α. Because certain people willing 5 to work but they don't last a couple of 6 days. 7 Q. How often did that happen, that an employee would only work a couple 8 9 of days? 10 Α. If I hire somebody, chances 11 are about 80 percent of people I hired not 12 going to last a couple of days -- I mean 13 didn't last a couple of days. 14 Q. Just so I understand clearly, 15 almost 80 percent of the time people would 16 only last a few days? 17 Α. Yes. 18 0. So it was somewhat rare that 19 employees stayed on for a long period of 20 time? 21 A .. Yes. 22 The employees who only lasted Q. 23 a couple of days, can you say approximately how many days these employees would be 24 25 there; would it be one day, five days?

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Page 58 1 Y. S. CHO 2 approximation. 3 Α. One day or two days. Once they decide they couldn't do this work they 4 5 just quit. 6 0. Why did employees leave after 7 just a couple of days? 8 Α. It's too hard. 9 0. Is that what they told you? 10 Α. Yes. 11 Q. Any other reasons you were given for why people were quitting after a 12 13 few days? 14 A. Some people got into accident 15 and didn't tell me about it and just left. 16 Q. Did that happen often or was 17 that a rare sort of thing or something 18 else? 19 It was one of the reasons they work only a couple of days. Some people 20 say they are really hard work so they can't 21 keep up with it. Some guys do bad thing 22 23 and just left. 24 Any other reasons that people 0. 25 would give you for quitting after a very

Page 62 1 Y, S. CHO 2 amount? 3 Α. No. 4 Q. So you said 2004 you made reference to \$360 per week. Was that the 5 fixed amount for drivers? 6 7 Α. It's for the helpers. No. 8 0. What was the amount for 9 drivers? 10 Α. \$450. 11 Q. This is in 2004? 12 Α. Yes. 13 Then were they always paid Q. 14 that exact same amount every week, \$360 or 15 \$450 per week? 16 Yes, and after a few months if 17 they were good I gave them raise. 18 The \$360 per week or the \$450 19 per week, for how many hours of work was 20 that paid? 21 Α. It depends, because in 22 beverage business there's a big difference 23 doing work summertime and wintertime. For example, let's say I paid 24 25 for more than 60 hours a day -- I mean 60

Page 63 1 Y. S. CHO 2 hours a week during the summertime, they work less than 40 hours in wintertime so 3 almost about 20 hours in difference. 4 5 Q. So just give me a sense. were the hours generally -- let me ask you 6 7 this first; were the hours for drivers and 8 helpers the same or were they different? 9 Same. They come the same time 10 and leave at the same time. 11 Q. Okay. So in the summertime approximately what were the hours of the 12 13 drivers and helpers? 14 Between 55 to 60, 62 or 63 --15 63 hours. No, no, no. I'm sorry. It's 16 with the overtime. 17 For your understanding, 40 18 hours is regular hours and on top of that 19 during the summertime they work about 10 to 20 13 hours more. 21 Q. In the summer they work 10 to 22 13 hours more than 40 hours? 23 Α. Yes. 24 Q. So between 50 and 53 hours? 25 Α. Yes. The hours I mentioned

Page 90 1 Y. S. CHO 2 ο. The calculation that you just described to me where you take their hours, 3 4 the calculation you described to me in the 5 remarks section, was that something you ever discussed with the workers? 6 7 Α. No, because they already 8 agreed to fixed amount of money. 9 Q. Did you ever have discussions with the workers about overtime pay? 10 11 Α. No. 12 MR. SWAMINATHAN: Why don't we 13 take a break. 14 (A lunch recess was taken.) 15 0. Are you ready? 16 Α. Yes. 17 0. We are back from a lunch 18 Do you understand you continue to 19 be under oath currently? 20 Α. Yes, I do. 21 I want to follow up on a few 0. 22 issues from the morning. 23 You said that some documents were destroyed in April when they were --24 25 after they were taken from the offices?

Page 217 1 Y. S. CHO 2 Q: Did you talk to them about 3 overtime? 4 Α. No. 5 When you spoke to the workers 6 about their wages, was there anything put 7 in writing? 8 Α. No-9 Q. Was anything put in writing 10 based on your interviews with workers? 11 Α. No. 12 0. If your interview had gone 13 well, would you hire them right away? 14 Would you call them back later? What would 15 you do next? 16 I would tell them to come next Α. 17 day or next Monday. 18 Would you have them fill out 0. 19 any forms or anything? 20 Α. No, not at that time, because they might just quit or don't show up next 21 day or following Monday. 22 23 0. Is there some point where you 24 would have them fill out some information? 25 Α. Yeah. I mentioned earlier,

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ridiculous.

Q. You've talked about your discussions with workers about their wages.

Have you taken any steps to ensure that the wages that you pay your employees are in compliance with the law?

A. Just I explained how many hours he's going to work, I explained to them, and how much I'm going to pay.

Also I mention if you get this much money for this time you are working then it will be approximately how much for hour. I explain to all the guys.

- Q. Other than your conversations with the workers about how you were going to pay them and how much you were going to pay them and how many hours they would work for that pay, did you take any steps to ensure that whether or not you were agreeing to with the workers was in compliance with the law?
- A. I believe I complied with the law, because I never paid less than minimum wage or overtime, I always calculate those

Page 224 1 Y. S. CHO 2 things I have to pay. 3 That's why I explained all those things to my guys when I have 4 5 interview with them. 6 I understand that you are saying now that you believe you were in 7 8 compliance. What steps did you take in 9 order to ensure that you were in 10 compliance? 11 Α. What do you mean by what 12 steps? 13 I told you before, I explained 14 how many hours he's going to work for the 15 pay. 16 0. Right. I'm not talking about 17 your conversations with the workers. asking you, did you have any conversations 18 with anyone other than the workers to 19 ensure that whatever wage policies you had 20 21 with your workers were in compliance with 22 the law. 23 Α. No. Who should I talk to? 24 No. 25 Q. Did you ever speak to any

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17	11:24 a.m.
18	CONTINUED DEPOSITION of YUN S. CHO, a Defendant
19	in the above-entitled action, held at the above time
20	and place, taken before Kim Auslander, Registered
21	Professional Reporter and Notary Public of the State
22	of New York, pursuant to the Federal Rules of Civil
23	Procedure.
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Page 296 1 2 they shouldn't go there but sometimes they 3 do, or red lights or speeding, those are 4 moving violations. 5 In those instances you said 6 the driver is liable? 7 A. Yeah, of course. 8 Q. So because the driver was 9 liable that's why you would have them pay 10 the tickets? 11 Α. Yeah. Richard Merino gets 12 various moving violations. He went through 13 the area that he shouldn't go. 14 There's so many places you 15 shouldn't go with the trucks unless there's 16 a local delivery. 17 Q. What about would they also be 18 liable when it was a parking ticket? 19 Α. No. 20 Why do you say that the driver 0. 21 is not liable when it is a parking ticket? 22 Α. Only reason I told them if you 23 get a parking violation -- there's so many 24 different park violations, there's various 25 ways of parking violation. For example, if

Page 297 1 they double-parked but depends on area, if 2 3 you park the truck uptown or downtown it's 4 okay, it's legal to double-park if there is 5 no parking space, but midtown you can't. 6 You can't double-park at all, no matter 7 what. You have to find a parking space. 8 But when those guys get a 9 double-parking ticket, I take care of it. try to send a letter to plead not guilty. 10 11 Also traffic lane ticket, it's okay, the 12 same as a double-parking ticket. 13 But when driver go through the prohibited area, like a fire hydrant, bus 14 15 lane or crossing, bike lane, those areas 16 they shouldn't be there. They don't have to 17 be there. 18 Q. Those things you described; 19 fire hydrants, bus lanes and so on, those 20 were moving violations or parking 21 violations? 22 A. Parking violations. 23 0. In those instances where they 24 were parking by a bus lane or fire hydrant 25 and they got a ticket would you take

Page 298 1 2 deductions for those? 3 A. No, I didn't. I keep saying 4 if you do the violation, next time I will 5 deduct the money, but I never did. 6 So even though in those cases 7 it was also their fault, when they parked 8 when there was no double-parking in midtown 9 or when they parked in front of a fire 10 hydrant or bus lane, in those instances you 11 would say it was their fault, they were 12 liable, right? 13 Yeah, of course. They don't 14 have to go to bus lane. Why they stop 15 their truck on bus lane? Bus stops or fire hydrant, why they have to block fire 16 17 hydrant or block crossings? They don't 18 have to do that. 19 When they did that, when they 20 parked in these places, when they didn't 21 need to go there and park in those places, 22 would you take deductions from them? 23 A. What do you mean? 24 Q. Would you take deductions in 25 their paychecks in those instances?

Page 1 1 2 UNITED STATES DISTRICT COURT SOUTHERN DISTRICT OF NEW YORK 3 ECF CASE 10 Civ. 0706 (JSR) 4 RICHARD MERINO, DANY CUX BATEN, ELIAS ANTONIO HERNANDEZ, and JORGE OREA PAEZ, 5 individually and on behalf of all others similarly situated,, 6 7 Plaintiffs, 8 -against-9 BEVERAGE PLUS AMERICA CORP., SMC USA CORP., YUN S. CHO, GRAND BEVERAGE CORP. 10 and YUN C. CHO,, 11 12 Defendants. 13 14 500 Pearl Street New York, New York 15 June 24, 2010 16 9:00 a.m. 17 18 DEPOSITION of YUN C. CHO, a Defendant in the above-entitled action, held at the above time and 19 place, taken before Kim Auslander, Registered 20 21 Professional Reporter and Notary Public of the State 22 of New York, pursuant to the Federal Rules of Civil 23 Procedure. 24 25

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1	Y. C. CHO		
2	him that.		
3	Q. To your knowledge, there was		
4	no practice of discussing overtime pay with		
5	employees that were hired?		
6	A. That's correct.		
7	Q. And there still is not such a		
8	practice?		
9	A. No.		
10	Q. Do you have any documents		
11	reflecting agreements with any of the		
12	workers at Beverage Plus about pay?		
13	A. I think when I see		
14	(Pause.)		
15	A. I have here		
16	Q. You are looking at a personnel		
17	record?		
18	A. I can see the defendant's		
19	response to plaintiff's first set of		
20	interrogatories.		
21	At the time when I submit the		
22	pieces of paper I attached on Exhibit B, I		
23	put the time record with my employees.		
24	Q. Other than the documents that		
25	you attached in your responses to us, are		Ī

Page 122 1 Y. C. CHO 2 Α. My brother pays it at this 3 moment, because I don't know each figure, 4 so my brother controls for time card 5 payment. 6 Q. Is it your understanding that 7 the workers are currently paid on an hourly 8 basis, a weekly basis, something else? 9 They receive every week. 10 Weekly basis. They receive salary every 11 week. 12 Q. They are paid a salary every 13 week? 14 Α. Yes. 15 0. Do they receive compensation 16 for overtime? 17 Α. 18 Q. How does that work? How do 19 you calculate --20 Α. The time card. As you can see, the defendant's response to 21 22 plaintiff's first set of interrogatories, I 23 attach Exhibit B, the time card with the amount of payment for weekly salary that 24 25 they have time cards, so I can see how many

Page 229 1 Y. C. CHO 2 of product from the retailer and then how 3 to control the people and then about the 4 general information to run the business. 5 It's your testimony that you 6 took over the business on March 13, the 7 date after Richard Merino was fired; is 8 that right? 9 Α. Yeah. 10 (Plaintiff's Exhibit 17 marked for 11 identification.) 12 0. Plaintiff's Exhibit 17 is 13 three pages. The first page is titled 14 application for the court to request 15 It's dated March 19, 2010. counsel. 16 Is that your signature, 17 Mr. Cho? 18 A. Yes, it's true. 19 Q. And then the next two pages 20 are a request to proceed in forma pauperis. 21 It's also signed by you? 22 A ... Yes, it's true, 19th day of 23 March, 2010. 24 Q. Paragraph two on the first 25 page says: I will close down my business

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	D.R. MENDOZA
	A. No.
	Q. When he does communicate with
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6	A. English.
7	Q. Do the workers speak English?
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9	Q. All of them?
10	A. Well, not all of them. Maybe
11	one or two they don't talk good English,
12	but they can communicate.
13	Q. You said one or two. One or
14	two could communicate or
15	A. One or two cannot communicate
16	well, but their English is understandable.
17	Q. How many total workers are
18	there currently?
19	A. Currently we have so far we
20	have about five. Getting busy sometimes,
21	when it's busy we get up to eight.
22	Q When is it busy?
23	A. Summertime.
24	Q. When you say summertime, what
25	months?